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ITEMS APPROVED AND ACTION TAKEN BY THE  
LEE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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Dr. Andre Knecht was elected as Commissioner from District 3 to replace former Commissioner Linda Shook. Dr. Knecht will complete the remainder of Ms. Shook's two-year term of office.

The following items were approved on the **CONSENT AGENDA**:

- A. Minutes from the December 3, 2012 regular meeting,
- B. Acceptance of resignation of former Commissioner Linda Shook,
- C. Budget Amendment # 01/07/13/08,
- D. Annual Software Maintenance Renewal Agreement with Tyler Technologies for the Tax Appraisal Department,
- E. FY 2013-14 Community Services Block Grant Program for Johnston-Lee-Harnett Community Action, and
- F. Tax Releases and Refunds for November 2012

G. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**: Pursuant to N.C. General Statute 153A-52.1, the floor was opened for *Public Comments*. The following spoke and were allowed 3 minutes to make their presentation:

- 1. Ms. Wendy Bryan, 204 Crystal Drive, Broadway (sales tax distribution)
- 2. Mr. Donald Andrews, Mayor, Town of Broadway, 126 West Lake Drive, Broadway (sales tax distribution)

**NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Ms. Brooks Gage, Chairman of the Lee County Environmental Affairs Board completed the required paperwork to appear before the Board to discuss the current Environmental Affairs Board, what the EAB has worked on in the past, an overview of existing by-laws, and skill sets of the membership.
- B. Approved (4 to 3 vote) to dissolve the current Environmental Affairs Board and create a 9 member Environmental Review & Advisory Committee. The mission of the newly established board will be to review technical documentation and to advise the Board of Commissioners on testing, monitoring, and regulatory matters affecting the environment of Lee County.

- C. Accepted the recommendations from SBTDC to conduct an internal Board of Commissioner's strategy session followed by an economic growth summit with all county stakeholders participating. The County Manager was directed to negotiate a reasonable cost for the continuing work of SBTDC as facilitators of the planning process. An internal BOC meeting was scheduled for January 16, 2013 beginning at 12 noon in the Gordon Wicker Conference Room at the Lee County Government Center. The Economic Growth Summit will be held on March 1, 2013, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the McSwain Agricultural Center on Tramway Road.
- D. Tabled request from the Lee County Schools for funding for security equipment at the schools until a private meeting could be held between 3 members of the Board of Commissioners, 3 members from the Board of Education, and Sheriff Tracy Carter.
- E. Approved amendment with The Wooten Company for the Clyde Rhyne Road project, not to exceed \$45,650, for geotechnical services.
- F. Approved low bid from ST Wooten for Phase I of the paving project on Clyde Rhyne Road in the Industrial Park in the amount of \$97,113.87.
- G. Appointed Allen Sloan, Robert Garrett, Mike McDonald, and Cindy Ammons to serve as full-time members on the Board of Equalization and Review for three-year terms. John Ramsperger, Al Rushatz, Herb Hincks, Frank Del Palazzo, and Harry Stryffeler were appointed as alternates.
- H. Appointed Chairman Parks as the voting delegate for the upcoming Legislative Goals Conference.

#### **MANAGER'S REPORT**

- A. Presented *Monthly Financial Report* for month ending November 2012.
- B. County Manager John Crumpton was instructed to schedule meetings the first week of February with the Broadway Town Commissioners and City of Sanford Council to discuss the sales tax distribution method and inter-local agreements and services.

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